



DT03 Rec'd PCT/PTO 12 OCT 2004 T

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Alain BOULANT  
Application No.: 10/500,848  
Filed: July 7, 2004  
For: SIMPLIFIED LAMELLAR CLARIFIER, AND METHOD FOR  
CLEANING SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the art listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. All of these references were cited in an International Search Report dated April 28, 2003 (copy attached).

Applicants present this art so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106. Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. Ledbetter  
Registration No. 28,732

Date: October 12, 2004

JEL/spp

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. L741.04103  
STEVENS, DAVIS, MILLER & MOSHER, L.L.P.  
1615 L STREET, NW, Suite 850  
WASHINGTON, DC 20043-4387  
Telephone: (202) 785-0100  
Facsimile: (202) 408-5200

